

### **Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for responding to a request from a client for a web page, including steps of:
  - forwarding, from a request server, the request to a template server and a delta encoder;
  - building, at the template server that is logically remote from the request server, template information for the web page;
  - computing delta information for the web page based on the template information at the delta encoder that is logically remote from the request server; and
  - sending, to the client, the delta information for the web page and a reference to the template information.
2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 including a step of compressing the delta information.
3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 including a step of compressing the template information.
4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 including a step of sending statistical information to the template server relating to the benefits of a delta caching service of the delta encoder.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 including steps of:  
distributing the request from the client to a selected one of a set of delta encoders;  
providing a web object at the request server in response to the request; and  
computing the delta information at the selected one delta encoder in response to the template information, wherein the template server is logically remote from the selected one delta encoder.
6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 including steps of  
distributing the request from the client to a selected one of a set of devices;  
providing a web object at the selected one device in response to the request;  
computing the delta information in response to the web object and in response to the template information, wherein the template server is logically remote from the selected one device.
7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 including steps of:  
receiving, from the client, a request for the template information; and  
sending, to the client, the template information.
8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 including steps of  
sending, from a source of the delta information, a request for the template information; and  
receiving, at the source of the delta information, the template information.
9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the delta information includes at least one program fragment.
10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the delta information includes at least one program fragment directing the client to retrieve template information.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10 wherein the at least one program fragment directs the client to retrieve the template information from either the template builder, the delta encoder, or a content delivery network.
12. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the web page is accessible to more than one the server; and the template information is accessible to the more than one server.
13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the steps of building are responsive to at least one change in the web page.
14. (Currently Amended) A system for responding to a request from a client for a web page, comprising:
  - a request server responsive to the request ~~requests~~ from the client that forwards the request ~~requests~~ ~~identifying objects accessible by the server~~;
  - a template builder disposed logically remote to the request server and responsive to the forwarded request ~~requests~~ by building template information for the web page; and
  - a delta encoder disposed logically remote to the request server and responsive to the forwarded request ~~requests~~ by generating a response ~~responses~~ including delta information based on the template information for the web page ~~pages~~ and a reference ~~references~~ to template information for the web page ~~pages~~.
15. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 including a delta information compressor.
16. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 including a distributor responsive to the request from the client and coupled to a selected one of a set of delta encoders, wherein the template server is logically remote from the selected one delta encoder.

17. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 including a distributor responsive to the request from the client and coupled to a selected one of a set of devices, wherein the template server is logically remote from the selected one device.
18. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the template builder is configured to send the template information to the delta encoder.
19. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 including a template information compressor.
20. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the delta encoder generates requests to and receives responses from the template builder.
21. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the delta encoder sends statistical information to the template builder, wherein the statistical information relates to the benefits of the delta caching service.
22. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the delta encoder retrieves configuration information from the template builder and uses the configuration information in a hosted configuration mechanism.
23. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the delta encoder retrieves a list of available templates and identifies which templates are not included in the list.
24. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the delta encoder requests the template builder to rebuild a template.
25. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the delta information includes at least one program fragment.

26. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the delta information includes at least one program fragment directing the client to retrieve template information.
27. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the web page is accessible to more than one the server; and the template information is accessible to the more than one the server.
28. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14 wherein the template builder is responsive to at least one change in the web page.
29. (Previously Presented) A system for responding to a request from a client for a web page, comprising:
  - means forwarding from a request server the request to a template server and a delta encoder;
  - means for building, at the template server that is logically remote from the request server, template information for the web page;
  - means for computing delta information for the web page based on the template information at the delta encoder that is logically remote from the request server; and
  - means for sending, to the client, the delta information for the web page and a reference to the template information.
30. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 including means for compressing the delta information.
31. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 including means for compressing the template information.

32. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 including means for sending statistical information to the template server relating to the benefits of a delta caching service of the delta encoder.
33. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 including:  
means for distributing the request from the client to a selected one of a set of delta encoders;  
means for providing a web object at the request server in response to the request; and  
means for computing the delta information at the selected one delta encoder in response to the template information, wherein the template server is logically remote from the selected one delta encoder.
34. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 including:  
means for distributing the request from the client to a selected one of a set of devices;  
means for providing a web object at the selected one device in response to the request;  
means for computing the delta information in response to the web object and in response to the template information, wherein the template server is logically remote from the selected one device.
35. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 including:  
means for receiving, from the client, a request for the template information; and  
means for sending, to the client, the template information.
36. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 including:  
means for sending, from a source of the delta information, a request for the template information; and  
means for receiving, at the source of the delta information, the template information.

37. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 wherein the delta information includes at least one program fragment.
38. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 wherein the delta information includes at least one program fragment directing the client to retrieve template information.
39. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 wherein the web page is accessible to more than one the server; and the template information is accessible to the more than one the server.
40. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29 wherein the means for building is responsive to at least one change in the web page.